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Argument and Rebuttal Form Election Date: November 3, 2020

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X Argument in Favor	Argument Against
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Statements will be printed in uniform type, style, and spacing. Use block paragraphs and single space format. Text submitted indented or centered will be typeset in block paragraph form. Entire statements in all capital letters are not acceptable. Indentions, circles, stars, dots, italics and/or bullets cannot be accommodated. However, you may use dashes/hyphens. Words to be printed in boldface type, underscored and/or capitalized are to be clearly indicated. Any combinations of enhanced words are counted as one word. The number of words/acronyms that are in boldface type, underscore and/or CAPITALIZED shall not exceed 300 words for Arguments and 250 words for Rebuttals per documents. All statements should be checked by the authors for spelling and punctuation as the elections official is not permitted to edit any material contained therein. Please note that rebuttal arguments are allowed only when both a direct argument for AND against a measure are filed.

## ALL AUTHORS MUST SIGN ON THE REVERSE SIDE

Please type statements below in upper and lower-case letters. Statement will be typeset in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet. Statement can be submitted using any standard font.

### Argument in Favor of a Einance Commission .

Do you believe the Los Gatos Town Council could benefit from expert financial and operating advice provided by five highly qualified town residents with significant private sector experience?

If your answer is "Yes" then join us in voting Yes on \_.

Total net government spending by the Town increased by 72% between 2015-2019. Do you feel like the services you receive from the Town are 72% better than they were 5 years ago?

We need to pass this measure to improve our financial oversight and get our fiscal house in order.

Most elected officials are not financial experts nor do they have a financial background. Measure \_ will let highly qualified Los Gatos residents with extensive professional experience in business, economics, or finance lend their expertise in an unpaid advisory role to the Town Council.

The existing Finance Committee charter prohibits advising on the Town's annual budget and excludes citizen appointees from voting. It needs to be replaced.

Measure \_ takes the best practices of other cities in California that have a history of strong fiscal management, by creating a volunteer Finance Commission that will provide important guidance to the Town Council in its budgetary decisions, fiscal policies, and fiscal priorities.

Los Gatos has a deep reservoir of experienced talent. These individuals will bring new and innovative thinking to increase effectiveness and transparency. Whether or not their advice is acted upon, remains the Council's decision.

This measure does not take away any legal authority from the Town Council, which is accountable to voters regarding budget and fiscal decisions. The proposed measure simply increases the number of qualified residents who provide advice to the council in making those important decisions... and without any additional cost to taxpayers.

Please vote Yes on Measure \_ to help protect the future fiscal stability of Los Gatos.

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